



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEAUFORT DIVISION

ROBERT CHRISTOPHER SHIRLEY,	§	
Petitioner,	§	
	§	
vs.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 9:07-2996-HFF-GCK
	§	
COLIE RUSHTON, Warden of McCormick	§	
Correctional Institution.	§	
Respondent.	§	

AMENDED ORDER

This case was filed as a 28 U.S.C. § 2254 action. Petitioner is proceeding pro se. The matter is before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (Report) of the United States Magistrate Judge suggesting that Respondent's motion for summary judgment be granted and the petition be dismissed. The Report was made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina.

The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with the Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270 (1976). The Court is charged with making a de novo determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objection is made, and the Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge or recommit the matter with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

The Magistrate Judge filed the Report on May 13, 2008, but Petitioner failed to file any objections to the Report, even after the Court granted him an extension of time to file such objections. In the absence of objections, the Court is not required to give any explanation for adopting the recommendation. *Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Moreover, a failure to object waives appellate review. *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841, 845-46 (4th Cir. 1985).

The Court has reviewed Petitioner's letter, entered by the Clerk on June 26, 2008. To the extent that this letter can be construed as objections, the Court finds the objections to be without merit. Therefore, those objections are overruled.

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case pursuant to the standard set forth above, the Court adopts the Report and incorporates it herein. Therefore, it is the judgment of the Court that Respondent's motion for summary judgment be **GRANTED** and the petition be **DISMISSED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 17th day of July, 2008, in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

s/ Henry F. Floyd
HENRY F. FLOYD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

The parties are hereby notified of the right to appeal this Order within 30 (thirty) days from the date hereof, pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.